

addition, he helped establish Congregation Beth Israel on the Monterey Peninsula during the early fifties. He was an active member of the congregation, serving several terms as its president.

Abe loved to travel. He and his wife, Sylvia, took trips throughout the United States and traveled to Europe, Asia, Israel, Australia, New Zealand, Mexico and Canada. The couple moved to Sacramento 2 years ago to be near their children. He is remembered by his family and friends from around the country and the residents and caregivers at Sunrise Assisted Living in Sacramento.

It goes without saying that Mr. Abraham Sheingold was an honorable man with a commitment to his family, friends and community that will forever live in the lives of the people he so graciously touched. My heart goes out to Abraham's wife and children. I am honored and humbled to join his family in celebrating the life of this amazing man who will never be forgotten.

HONORING CHIEF DEPUTY U.S.
MARSHAL JOHN DUKE BUTLER

HON. CHARLES A. GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. GONZALEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor John Duke Butler, Chief Deputy United States Marshal for the Western District of Texas, as he enters the beginning stage of his retirement. Mr. Butler's lifelong commitment to public service, demonstrated by his 32-year career in Federal law enforcement, is worthy of much praise and recognition.

Mr. Butler began his career in May of 1976 when he became Deputy U.S. Marshal in Minnesota. Over time, he held various Federal law enforcement roles and in 1995 became the Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal for the Western District of Texas. He served here until his retirement in July of 2008.

Throughout his career, his commitment to his community stretched beyond Federal law enforcement, as he was an active member of various volunteer associations, including local chapters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy Associates for 25 years.

Mr. Butler's admirable lifelong commitment to public service and Federal law enforcement has set a great example for each and every community in which he has resided. I am proud to call him a constituent, and on behalf of my colleagues here in Congress, thank Mr. Butler and his family, including his wife Shannon and their children Juliette and Cecilia, for his lifelong service, community involvement, and commitment to justice and law enforcement.

PSORIASIS ACT

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. WU. Madam Speaker, I rise today to bring attention to the serious, debilitating,

chronic diseases of psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis, and to urge you to support H.R. 1188, the Psoriasis and Psoriatic Arthritis Research, Cure, and Care Act for 2007—important bipartisan legislation that I have introduced with my colleague from Pennsylvania, Mr. GERLACH.

This legislation would be the first ever legislative action to fill important gaps in psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis data collection and research, and is an important step in providing relief to the as many as 7.5 million Americans that the National Institutes of Health estimates suffer from these noncontagious, genetic autoimmune diseases.

Psoriasis is widely misunderstood, minimized, and undertreated. In addition to the pain, itching, and bleeding caused by psoriasis, many affected individuals also experience social discrimination and stigma. Of serious concern is that people with psoriasis are at elevated risk for myriad co-morbidities, including but not limited to, heart disease, diabetes, obesity, and mental health conditions. As such, psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis impose significant burdens on individuals and society; psoriasis alone is estimated to cost the Nation 56 million hours of lost work and between \$2 billion and \$3 billion annually.

Also, I wish to take a moment to recognize that August is National Psoriasis Awareness Month and commend the National Psoriasis Foundation, headquartered in my district, for its annual efforts surrounding National Psoriasis Awareness Month. Moreover, I thank the foundation leaders and staff for working tirelessly each day to help our Nation make progress toward a cure and to ensure that people with psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis have access to the care they need and deserve.

On average, each of us has 17,000 constituents with psoriasis. As most of us will be at home frequently this fall, I encourage my colleagues to meet with affected constituents, learn more about psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis, and work to reduce the misconceptions surrounding these conditions. I further urge you to join with me and the other 82 cosponsors in supporting people living with psoriasis by cosponsoring H.R. 1188.

CELEBRATING THE WORK OF
MADAM ANNIE B. DANIELS

HON. ROBERT C. "BOBBY" SCOTT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life and work of a treasured citizen of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Madam Annie B. Daniels. The year 2008 marks the 50th year Madam Daniels has operated her business on Chestnut Avenue in Newport News. In recognition of both this anniversary and her many civic accomplishments, I would like to say a few words about this remarkable woman.

Annie B. Daniels was born in Grove Hill, Alabama. At an early age, Madam Daniels had the desire to become a hairdresser, having been inspired by her great aunt Lady Bell Pugh, a local hairdresser. Madam Daniels began her formal beautician training at the Barnett Institute in Grove Hill and continued at the Freeman Beauty School of Savannah,

Georgia. She moved to Newport News, Virginia, and enrolled in the Spratley Beauty College. Upon graduation, she worked in privately owned salons until she opened her singularly owned and operated beauty parlor on 1309 30th Street in 1948.

Although the ability to operate her own salon was empowering, Madam Daniels was unsatisfied with her first business and in 1958 she established the Madam Daniels' Salon at 2901 Chestnut Avenue. A year later she added an educational component to the salon and the Madam Daniels' School of Beauty Culture was born. Starting with just four students and a basic course of study, the school has grown tremendously in both enrollment and curriculum. Madam Daniels' School of Beauty Culture is a fixture of the southeastern Newport News community, and its graduates have gone on to make their mark in the beauty industry around the world.

Hand in hand with her entrepreneurial work, Madam Daniels has been an important advocate for civil rights and social justice in Virginia. She was active in the Civil Rights Movement in Virginia, becoming the first fully paid female life member of the Newport News branch of the NAACP. For over a decade she chaired the local life membership committee, and through her efforts to increase life memberships, the branch was nationally recognized.

Madam Daniels's civic engagement has been recognized by the City of Newport News, the NAACP, Hampton University, the Urban League of Hampton Roads, the Peninsula Chapter of 100 Black Men of America, and the Virginia General Assembly. Her advice and counsel are actively sought by local mayors, city council members, and state and national representatives, including myself. I congratulate Madam Daniels on her 50 years as a successful entrepreneur and for her 50 years of commitment and service to her community, state, and country.

SECRETARY ROBERT GATES' REMARKS AT THE U.S. GLOBAL LEADERSHIP CAMPAIGN TRIBUTE DINNER

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 31, 2008

Mr. BERMAN. Madam Speaker, on July 15, the Secretary of Defense, Robert M. Gates, was honored at the annual Tribute Dinner of the U.S. Global Leadership Campaign, USGLC, for his leadership in supporting our Government's foreign affairs budget. The USGLC has been an important organization supporting adequate funding levels for the conduct of our country's foreign affairs and international assistance programs. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice introduced Secretary Gates and acknowledged his contributions.

In his remarks, Secretary Gates strongly advocated for a robust civilian capacity within the U.S. Government: "When it comes to America's engagement with the rest of the world, it is important that the military is—and is clearly seen to be—in a supporting role to civilian agencies." In order to further U.S. national security, Secretary Gates argued that our civilian institutions of diplomacy and development